## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
INJURY LITIGATION	MDL No. 2323
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:  Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long- Form Complaint and (if applicable) <u>Wooden v. National Football League [et al.], No. 12-01037 (E.D. Pa.)</u>	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION
LARRY GRIFFIN and TAMMY GRIFFIN, his wife	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

### **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), **LARRY GRIFFIN**, (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) **TAMMY GRIFFIN**, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION, MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

sentence below if not applicable.) Copies of the Letters of Administration/Letters Testamentary for a wrongful death claim are annexed hereto if such Letters are required for the commencement of such a claim by the Probate, Surrogate or other appropriate court of the jurisdiction of the decedent.

- 5. Plaintiff, **LARRY GRIFFIN** is a resident and citizen of **North Carolina** and claims damages as set forth below.
- 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, **TAMMY GRIFFIN**, is a resident and citizen of **North Carolina** and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.
- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. If the case is remanded, it should be remanded to United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

	9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:			
		<u>✓</u>	Injury to Herself/Himself		
			Injury to the Person Represented		
			Wrongful Death		
		_	Survivorship Action		
		<u> </u>	Economic Loss		
		_	Loss of Services		
		_	Loss of Consortium		
	10.	[Fill in	n if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband LARRY		
GRIFFIN, Plaintiff's Spouse, TAMMY GRIFFIN, suffers from a loss of consortium,					
includ	ing the	followin	ng injuries:		
	✓ loss	✓ loss of marital services;			
	✓ loss of companionship, affection or society;				
	✓ loss of support; and				
	$\underline{\checkmark}$ monetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the health				
	care and personal care of her husband.				
	11.	[Check	if applicable] Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable)		
reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.					

# **DEFENDANTS**

12.	Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the			
following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:				
	<u>√</u>	National Football League		
	✓	NFL Properties, LLC		
	_	Riddell, Inc.		
		All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)		
		Riddell Sports Group, Inc.		
		Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.		
		Easton-Bell Sports, LLC		
	_	EB Sports Corporation		
		RBG Holdings Corporation		
13.	[Check	where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above,		
the claims ass	erted ar	e:design defect; informational defect; manufacturing defect.		
14.	[Check	x if applicable] The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets		
designed and/or manufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or				
decedent) played in the NFL and/or AFL.				

15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] ✓ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ the American Football League ("AFL") during **1986 to 1993** for the following teams: **Pittsburgh Steelers and Tennessee Titans**.

## **CAUSES OF ACTION**

- 16. Plaintiff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by reference in those Counts [check all that apply]:
  - ✓ Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief Liability (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))
  - \_\_ Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))
  - Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))
  - Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))
  - ✓ Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants))

	<u>√</u>	Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))
	_	Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	<u>✓</u>	Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against <del>All-</del> the NFL Defendants))
17.		Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

#### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

DATED: this 12th day of July, 2012.

#### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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